

Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

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In response to the Office action dated October 17, 2003, Applicants submit the following corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Amendment which was submitted on September 30, 2003.

Corrected Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2.

Although it is believed that no fees are required, authorization is hereby granted to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.